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[From Saturday's Daily.]

Southern Arizona.

[From the Citizen of December 13th.]

Brother Wasson gives the Daily MINER good wishes and complimentary notices, in an editorial which indicates plainly to all business men in the Territory that it is for their interest, to support local papers and printing establishments, and while admitting the right of Arizona merchants to get their job-printing done in San Francisco or other places at cheaper rates than it can be done in the Territory, intimates, as the MINER has often done, that it is hardly cheaper in the long run.

An article on the Chiricahua or Cachiue Reserve, states that it has become a rendezvous for the stragglers and renegades from all the other reservations and Indian tribes in Eastern Arizona and Western New Mexico; that, according to the admission of Agent Jeffords himself, they come and go at will, raiding into Sonora and returning to the reservation as a safe place of refuge and trading station.

The reserve is stated as about seventy miles square, an area entirely too large for any agent to exercise control over, and ten times larger than is needed for Cachiue's band alone, and no others have any right there. The public interest demands that the reservation be abolished, or greatly reduced in size, so that the 1000 Apaches who belong to the Cachiue tribe may be placed under proper supervision, with sufficient territory for all their just wants, and that the surplus may be thrown open to settlement to farmers and stock-raisers.

The Stanford and Florence school districts have been temporarily consolidated.

The prominent business men of Tucson are taking hold of mines in a right spirit, determined to prove their value.

Some ore sent to San Francisco to be assayed for copper, from the Margarita mine, surprised all the owners by yielding \$876 76 in silver, \$12 90 in gold and twenty-one per cent. of copper, per ton.

The U. S. Land surveys have been extended over the San Pedro valley, by Deputy-Surveyor White.

Hon. Coles Bashford, Secretary of the Territory, has arrived home at Tucson.

Santiago Redondo who came from Sonora after thirteen horses stolen from him and traced to the Cachiue reservation, returned to Tucson with four of the horses, which he got on the reservation. He said that Agent Jeffords treated him kindly, but could not recover more of the stock.

N. H. Clanton, from the upper Gila valley, had been in Tucson to procure tools and supplies. His family and two others are now in the valley and they are anxious to have more come in. Families settling in the valley will be supplied with water from Clanton's ditch, at actual pro rata cost of the ditch, which, he claims, will carry water enough to irrigate 25,000 acres of rich valley land.

We hate to think of it of the present Congress. But they do say that "a good beginning makes a bad ending." This Congress has begun well. Its members appear to favor retirement in Government expenses. A very good thing. They know that the public debt is increasing and that men are talking of raising the taxes of the people, and they want the country to understand that they will order no more taxes. Very well, gentlemen. This stand will win favor for you with the Grangers, but, recollect that the stinginess of Congress to the War and other departments, will, in great measure, destroy their usefulness to the country.

MOHAVE COUNTY.—Calvin White arrived here late Thursday night, with mail from towns in Mohave county, Eastern Nevada, and Utah.

The news is meagre. Wallapai people were hopeful of having mills, furnaces, etc., running in a short time.

Letters from Cerbat, of date December 16, force us to believe that the "boys" of that place and visitors from other places celebrated some event on the night of the 15th. Letters are written wrong side up, without much care.

California papers are still talking about the late Major Morrow, wondering what it was that caused him to commit suicide. We do not know, but have heard said that unrequited love was the prime cause.

It is a little singular that, in a short period, two paymasters who went from Arizona to San Francisco, put an end to their lives there. The first of these was Major Dana; the last, poor, jovial, intellectual Morrow.

How are you, General Howard? Does Vincent Colyer know you're out-of-luck and the Freedmen's College? And how about those trials to which the Secretary of War is about to subject you?

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PRESCOTT, ARIZONA, FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 26, 1873. [57 A YEAR.

Salt River Valley.

[From Monday's Daily.]

PRESCOTT, Maricopa County, A. T., December 19th, 1873.

There has been no more rain since my last, and the roads are getting nice and dry, so that teams begin to move again. The days are pleasant and the nights are cool. On Friday night last it was very cold, and the next morning there was ice as thick as window glass. Such cold weather, so early in the season, is a rare occurrence, but, from the telegraph reports, it appears that we are not alone in this respect, as the whole Pacific slope has been visited with a spell of severely cold weather, which has been followed by rain, just as it was here in Arizona.

The Daily MINER of the 16th was received here last evening, containing San Francisco news up to the 15th, at 10 o'clock p. m., and London news of the 14th. Heretofore, a California paper was indispensable for the late news. Hereafter California papers will be ten days behind time. This is our magnificent stride made by Arizona, thanks to those who procured the appropriation and put the line through.

W. L. Osborn has been appointed assistant superintendent of the Sunday school.

A new dance house has been started here. There is to be a ball at the house of B. W. Kellogg, to night.

Two houses and two lots, situated in a central part of town, the property of J. J. Hill, are to be raffled off to-morrow.

The Hon John Smith, of McDowell, has instructed Judge Alsup to put a new floor in the school-house, and to whitewash the building and put up the necessary out-houses and draw on him for the amount expended. This is very liberal on Mr Smith's part, particularly as he has no children.

The school, which has been progressing nicely under the management of Miss Nellie Shaver, was dismissed yesterday, until the first Monday in January. Miss Shaver will leave for Wickburg to-day, to spend the holidays.

J. W. Evans is here looking after the business of James Grant in connection with the stage line.

The following persons have been in town during the week: D. Duppa, from Agua Fria; H. Wickburg and A. H. Peoples and wife, from Wickburg; Mr Chapman, from San Francisco; J. Cochran, from Prescott; and Hon John Smith, from McDowell.

Geo. E. Moxley, A. Barnett and T. W. McIntosh left for McDowell this morning. J. T. Dennis has just come in from the Verde, having made the trip by the new road.

J. A. Moore's fast, two-year-old filly is in Monahan & Starr's corral, and will run against any two-year-old filly in the Territory, on two months notice.

SHIPMENTS FOR THE WEEK.

C. Romo, 200,000 lbs. of barley to Wm. B. Hooper & Co., Ehrenberg.

Wm. B. Hellings & Co., 140,000 lbs. of flour to Chiricahua and San Carlos.

J. Goldwater & Bro., 35,000 lbs. of barley and 5,000 lbs. flour to Ehrenberg. Bos.

A street railroad company has been organized in Los Angeles, with a capital stock of \$14,000. Subscription books are open, and the prospects are that the road will be built.

NEW MEXICO.—We see, by the New Mexico papers, that Pedro Sanchez of Taos county is President of the Council. Gregorio Otero of Valencia county, is speaker of the House. Perfect harmony, it is said, prevailed.

[From Thursday's Daily.]

So, Mr Newton Booth, Governor of California, has gone back on his stump promise in the recent campaign. He promised, so it is stated in his State, to fill the position of Governor during the term for which he was elected, but, instead of doing this, he followed ex-Gov M. S. Latham's example, went a fishing for State Senators and Assemblymen, and is now, thanks to such fish, elected U. S. Senator from California for six long years, by just three votes majority. This result almost places us, in one sense, at least, Booth is cultured and capable—much more so than either Mr Conness or Mr Cole—men of his old party, who have represented California in the National Senate. He is, too, a "self-made" man,—one of the great unglorified, a Granger, we presume, and "all that sort of thing," and will not, we hope, follow the example of his colleague in the Senate, who brought down many curses upon his head by siding, as it were, with certain railroad monopolists.

"Senator" Booth is now a sort of free thinker in politics, and so cannot expect to control the offices in his State, so long as Senator Sargent remains a true blue Administration man.

A man named H. Franklin, who claimed to hail from Arizona, took "a little spin around town" in San Francisco, got in bad company early one morning in a drinking cellar, and was robbed of a watch, ring, and over \$100 in money, and was pretty roughly handled besides. He was not from the Prescott neighborhood, and we should not pity him if he was.

Palmer's new hotel in Chicago is said to be the finest in the world. The building cost about \$2,000,000; the site upon which it stands is valued at \$1,000,000, and the furniture will cost nearly \$500,000.

Good Words for the Miner.

We have received the first number of the Daily Arizona Miner, the issue of which was commenced Monday, December 1. The Daily Miner is printed, has a liberal allowance of good reading matter, and is one half the size of the Express. We have always numbered the MINER as among our very best exchanges, and estimated from it more freely and satisfactorily than from most other contemporaries. That the present progressive venture of its industrial management may prove remunerative is our sincere wish.

The above is from the Daily Express, of Los Angeles, California, which good paper has also given circulation to our announcement concerning the publication of our Daily, for all of which it has our sincere thanks.

The Daily Times, of Santa Barbara, California, published our prospectus for a Daily, and said:

The Arizona Miner intends starting a daily. If it proves as good a paper as the Weekly it deserves to be most liberally patronized.

Our neighbors of San Bernardino, California, speak of the Daily MINER as follows:

We have received several copies of the Daily MINER, the initial number of which made its appearance on the 1st inst. Considering that Prescott is a small place, and the country around it very unsettled, with poor mail facilities, we agree with our friend Marion when he characterizes the move as a "brave attempt." The daily is a four column paper, neatly printed, spicy and readable. We wish the circulating publishers abundant success and a long life to their daily.—(Guardian, Dec. 13th.)

We have received the initial number of the Daily Arizona MINER. It is a small but most little sheet, and full of good spicy reading matter as the Weekly has. Its columns are well filled with local advertisements, showing the appreciation of the public. We wish Bro. Marion the success which his enterprise and energy richly merits. Arizona should support our good daily project, and we wish the new enterprise all success.—(Argus, Dec. 11th.)

Muchas gracias, señores.

The Daily Arizona MINER appeared December 1, as per announcement—the material points of which we copy into the Children. The paper presents a good appearance, as all printing by that office does; and whether the proprietors believe it or not, we hope they may be able to make the daily a success. We have no faith that there is sufficient patronage in Arizona to properly maintain a daily paper. We don't think any weekly has criticized its proprietors, nor are the prospects bright that they will very soon; nor can it be said that the weeklies are not creditable according to the circumstances. The MINER and Children have no superior as weeklies on the frontier, nor can any of the old States show two so most and well-filled papers.—(Arizona Citizen (Tucson) Dec. 13.)

The Arizona Sentinel (Yuma, A. T.), of Dec. 13, says:

We have received a copy of the Daily Arizona MINER, published at Prescott, A. T., by John H. Marion & Co. The editor speaks of this enterprise as "a brave attempt," and we think it is. It is well printed and filled with excellent matter, both editorial and selected, and we wish its editor and proprietors the most unbounded success. Now is your time, people of Arizona, to come out liberally and help to sustain a Daily in your midst.

The Daily Arizona MINER is the name of a new candidate in the field of journalism, and is published at Prescott, Arizona, by Messrs John H. Marion & Co. Concerning the success of the Weekly Arizona MINER, the publication of which will not be discontinued, there can be no question regarding the future of its offspring. We wish it success. The first number has a splendid distribution of reading matter and advertisements, and we think it will be a very popular paper.

The Daily Arizona MINER, a handsome sheet, full of news and life, and the best sheet printed in this huge Territory, came to hand yesterday. Its publisher, John H. Marion & Co., of Prescott, Arizona, and Messrs Marion and Weaver have associated with them in its publication, E. S. Penwell and C. F. Mitchell. This makes a strong team, and if they are not able to sustain the MINER, they are not to be pitied. We think it is a very judicious move, and we wish it success, why it isn't a bit of use for anybody else to try.—(Los Angeles Herald, December 12th.)

Our Mining Laws.

The United States mining laws of May 10th, 1872, have naturally made a great difference in the method of location of claims, and the change does not please everybody. The claims which were 3,000 feet in length on a vein to any one man, together with 300 feet of ground on each side of said vein, was manifestly inserted for the benefit of poor miners. There is considerable dissatisfaction with this clause, as worked as best. It is as it is expected to do. It is perfectly certain that it tends to retard the development of the country to a great extent. In almost all the new districts, the first man who locates the claim, and really locates the mineral land in reasonable so to speak. This puts the ownership of the district into a very few hands. The tracts are 1,500 feet long and 600 feet wide, and it takes very few weeks to locate a claim.

Whenever a new district is struck, the nomadic prospectors must go there immediately, in order to get possession of ground. The first arrivals locate all the ground, and leave no more for others. By this means men are induced to travel around from one place to another, more than used to be the case, although the custom always has been a bad one. They do not want to wait to locate a claim, they prefer to locate a claim, the simplest assertions of richness are enough to excite droves of miners. There are hundreds of men now rushing to the San Juan country in the dead of winter, so as to get possession of all the land they can before the crowd comes in the spring. Many of these will pass a hard winter, and be disappointed in the end.

Of the miners who locate a broad tract in a district, not one in a thousand is able to develop ground to any extent. Men will not prospect ground on either side of a located ledge, and the owners having one vein and a title to the area on each side are eager in a hurry to prospect outside the locators' claim. The locators' system, without doubt, eventually lead to considerable litigation.

The "tunnel site clause" also comes in for its share of abuse. It encourages wholesale grabbing and retards development. As the law now stands, when one company locates a tunnel site at the bottom of a hill, they virtually take possession of the hill and all its ledges. Miners will not prospect across the line of a proposed tunnel, and not one tunnel in twenty is ever finished. They do work enough to cover the law, and if any hapless miner strikes a lead they will push their hole ahead of the locators' claim. The tunnel law is what to expect and dodge bills with tunnel locations upon them. There is certainly fault in a law which keeps the miners from prospecting and gives no much power to one man or company of men. The complaints are not confined to any particular district, but are wide spread; the newly discovered districts being the worst off. Monopolies of all kinds are objectionable, but when a few men can keep ten times as many from working, and have the law on their side at the same time, that law wants changing. The worst feature is, however, that the system as at present pursued discourages prospecting and retards mineral development.—(San Francisco Mining and Scientific Press.)

The owners of the Pioche Record rejoice in the possession of a new engine from Hartford, Conn., which runs things in the printing office to their entire satisfaction. The Record is a good paper, enterprising and lively, keeping up fully to the growth of the country and consequently deserving of patronage and success.

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Established 1864.

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MOHAVE COUNTY.

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Wallapai Assay Office,

Cerbat, Mohave County, Arizona.

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Reduced Prices to Suit the Times, viz:

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